Strange!
How the labouring Genius works the Brain,
To rout the *French* on fam'd *Ramilia*'s Plain:
How many Poets gain that glorious Day?
Here One
With his all Conquering Pen,
Forces the Lines (by Stratagem once paſs'd)
Maintain'd by Courage,
And writes as (*Marlborough fought*) an Army down.
Tropes, Figures, Similes engage the TROOPS,
Sweep all the Plain,
And level ſtrongeſt Bulwarks to the Ground;
Another,
With *Pegaſæan* Speed from *Flanders*,
Denmark, *Pruſſia*, *Thule*'s ſelf,
Poſt whole *Battalia*'s ſwift to *Germany*.
How does the *Bojan* Prince,
(Rewarded Rebel now)
Tremble in Verſe Heroick; How! The Fate
Of the Great *Empire*, dubious, nod;
'Till MARLBOROUGH give the *Word?*
Then *Baden* marches; *Eugene* fights,
Shellenberg's paſt, *Hochſtadt* won,
The *Empire* free, *Tallard* a Captive,
An ARMY PRISONERS.
Attend y' inſpiring Souls,
Who Numbers Love, and the juſt Force of Verſe;
Applaud, encourage;
And, in immortal *Lines*, employ
Your beſt *Invention*, *Diction*, *Phraſe*,
In *proud* Heroick, *humble* Elegy,
In *bold* Alcaic, *ſofter* Saphic,
To ſing the mighty, endleſs Deeds
OF
MARLBOROUGH.
Oh! what a *noble Subject* muſt HE chooſe,
Who takes him *Infant* firſt, into his Care,

Then

Then writes him full grown *Youth?*
What *Words*, what *Images*,
Will *this* happy *Poet* find,
To expreſs his beauteous Body, beauteous Mind?
Strong Promiſes of *future Greatneſs*,
See! in the *Boy* he reads the *Man*;
And, without *Prophecy*, foretells,
The *Politician*, *Patriot*, *General*, yet to come.
Whoſe *Genius* now, outruns his *Years*,
And renders him the *King*'s, the *Court*'s Delight,
Their preſent *Admiration*, *future Hope*.
How greatly too, is HE employ'd
Who his *maturer Years* deſcribes;
And finds the HERO in full Bloom?
Bending his *Thoughts* and *Actions*,
All, to his Country's Good:
Who leads him, with Succeſs,
To many Princes Favours;
With HIM great *WILLIAM*'s Reign adorns;
With HIM embeliſhes SIX Glorious Years
Of, then, Great ANN.
What Poet, now, is equal to the Task?
What *ſingle* Genius dare attempt
The Praiſes, which are due to
MARLBOROUGH;
See! they divide the Theme.
One Sings
His *Noble* Race, *Equeſtrian* Family;
By *Wars* Atchievements,
Ripen'd into *Princely Titles*, Honours, Riches:
Another ſings his *Princely Conſort*,
(*Glory of Females!*)
The beſt of *Women*, and the beſt of *Friends!*
(The beſt of *Wives!*)
And a beautiful *Deſcent*,
Even of *Goddeſſes*, in *mortal* Line:

And

And Another
Deſcribes all MARLBOROUGH in his Son.
Oh, *Blandford!*
Had kind Fate
Thee ſuffer'd ſtill to breath the Vital Air,
CHURCHILL had never died.
The awful Grace, the Godlike Mien,
The Man, The Hero,
All in Thee had ſhin'd,
And in a long Poſterity,
When thou wert gone,
Behold!
Ierne here, rejoicing drawn
At MARLBOROUH's Arrival on her Shore,
Towns ſurrend'ring! Battles won!
The *French*, the Native *Iriſh*, forc'd to fly,
And POPERY
And Slav'ry baniſh'd from the happy Coaſt.
There,
Another Poet makes him ſhine
In WILLIAM's *Council at* AUGUSTA;
And Another
In WILLIAM's *Wars*, in FLANDERS;
WILLIAM!
The *Good Genius* of the *Britiſh* Iſles:
Aſſertor of our Liberty:
Defender of our Laws:
Protector of our Religion:
Reſtorer of them all.
WILLIAM, and MARLBOROUGH!
For ever, BOTH employ'd
Our Peace and Safety to ſecure,
And to tranſmit our Crown
To ANNA, Glorious.
Another,
A Melancholly Bard;
On NASSAU's Death;

Thus

Thus makes th' illuſtrious Monarch ſpeak his laſt;
With earneſt *Eyes*, and *Force* of Voice,
Impreſſing HANNOVER,
Upon his Royal Siſter's Heart.
ANNA, my Siſter, my Belov'd:
The Cauſe
With which Heaven warm'd my Breaſt:
For which I left my Native Land,
To render this *a Guardianſhip to* That,
And That *to* This:
To join in ſtrict Alliance, Friendſhip, Love,
The Dutch *and* Britiſh *People:*
Beſt *Security*
'Gainſt France's *lawleſs Power;*
'Gainſt Popery *and* Slavery *at* Home.
That good Cauſe, which thy Sire
Had made deplorable *and wretched;*
By introducing Politicks *in* State,
And Worſhip *in* Religion,
Foreign *and deſtructive to our Iſle;*
Retriev'd *by* Me!
Fate *has determin'd*
By thee *to* finiſh.
Thou ſhalt riſe,
In Power Glorious:
Victory, *kind,*
Shall oft return
Thy Reign to Grace;
France *ſhall be humbled,* Lewis *ſeek for* Peace;
But remember, remember *well, my Siſter;*
Take CHURCHILL *to thy Heart,*
Let HIM *command thy Arms, abroad;*
Adviſe *at Home;*
'Tis HE *muſt draw* my *Sword:*

HE,
Tho' a Briton, *ſhall command*
The Belgian *Troops,*
And thoſe of numerous Allies.
I ſee! I ſee the CONQUEROUR,
From Flanders, France, *the* Rhine, *the* Maes, *the* Scheld,
Victorious, *to the very* Iſter.
To Oudenarde, *to* Mons, *he makes his Way,*
But, oh! Blaregnies *is the greater Name,*
Tournay *ſurrenders,* Liſle *ſubmits,*
Doway *yields, e'en* Bouchain *'s taken,*
And, Paris——*with that his Spirit ſunk,*
Juſt able, with his lateſt Breath, to ſay,
Paris,———Pretender.

I SHALL now conclude this Work, as I promis'd at the End of the firſt Book, with a Continuation of the Genealogy of the *Marlborough*-Family, in the Deſcendants of *John* Duke of *Marlborough*.

BY Her Grace, the Ducheſs Dowager of *Marlborough*, who is yet living, his Grace, *John* Duke of *Marlborough*, had Iſſue, that arrived to Maturity, one Son and four Daughters:

I. JOHN, Marquis of BLANDFORD, born 13 *Jan.* 1685-6. who died at *Cambridge* (as I have already ſaid, *pag.* 216. of the firſt Volume,) the 20th of *Feb.* 1702-3, univerſally lamented, being a young Nobleman of the greateſt Hopes.

ON a Monument, erected to his Memory, in *King*'s *College* Chappel, is a very elegant *Latin* Inſcription, which informs us, that he was born on the 13th of *Jan.* 1686. and that, tho' he was amongſt the firſt in Degree, by the high Honours of his Parents, he was no leſs celebrated for his Virtues, having all the Embelliſhments of Body and Mind, which were poſſible to meet in one of ſo tender an Age. A Youth of an uncommon Form, adorn'd, in equal Proportion, with Grandeur and Beauty. He had a happy, eaſy, lofty, penetrating and lively Genius, and a ſtrict Obſervance of *Decorum*, that rather ſeemed innate than acquired; a peculiar Sweetneſs of Behaviour, and the greateſt Condeſcenſion, in the greateſt Affluence of Fortune. And, as a Crown to his other Virtues, Mo-

dexty was his inſeparable Companion; ſo that he ſeemed, by Nature, wholly fram'd, to attract the Favour, and deſerve the Love of all Mankind.

WHILE he was, in a very early Age, he, in three Years, accompliſh'd the firſt Rudiments of his Learning, at *Eaton*. From thence, he was invited into the Court of His Royal Highneſs, the Duke of *Glouceſter*, to whom his Illuſtrious Father was Governor. He was made his Maſter of the Horſe, that he might grow up with a Prince of the greateſt Hopes, and rival his Virtues. Two Years after, that Prince being taken away by a too early Fate, his illuſtrious Parents, unwilling that ſuch an admirable Diſpoſition ſhould ſuffer for want of Culture, immediately ſent him to be educated in King's College. From that Time, this Excellent Youth, as if he retained nothing of the Court, except the higheſt Politeneſs, wonderfully conformed himſelf, in every Reſpect, different to his former life. An Example rarely to be met with. The Chappel was a Witneſs of his early Piety, where he was a conſtant Attendant, at Morning and Evening Prayers, as alſo at the Holy Sacrament, as often as it was adminiſtred. Nor did he leſs faithfully imploy the Time ſet apart for his Studies. By ſuch Behaviour, he attracted the Eyes and Hearts of all Men: But when he had thus ſpent two Years, and ſix Months, with the utmoſt Approbation, in the Study of the liberal Sciences, and was on the Point of travelling into Foreign Parts, to undertake greater Things, under the Conduct of his invincible Father; At that Time when Preparations were making for the Execution of theſe Things, he was ſuddenly ſeized with a malignant Kind of Small-Pox, which raging with a Violence that exceeded human Skill, carried him off in a very few Days, to the extream Regret of all who knew him, but more eſpecially of his illuſtrious Parents.

AFTER his Death, his Father's Honours and Eſtates, were, by *Act* of *Parliament*, paſſed the 21ſt of *December*, 1706, entailed upon his four Siſters; firſt upon their Male-iſſue, and failing Males, upon their Female Iſſue, for the perpetuating this illuſtrious Prince's Name and Honours to all Generations.

II. HENRIETTA, born the 19th of July, 1682, and in 1698, was married to the Right Honourable *Francis*, Lord Viſcount *Rialton*, afterwards, on the Deceaſe of his Father,

Earl

Earl of *Godolphin*. By Act of Parliament, ſhe ſucceeded his Grace, *John* Duke of *Marlborough*, at his Deceaſe, as Ducheſs of *Marlborough*, and to all his other Titles, except that of Prince of the *Empire*, and Baron of *Aymouth*, which are become extinct, by his dying without Iſſue-male.

HER GRACE *Henrietta, Junior* Ducheſs of *Marlborough*, &c. died in —— 1733, and had Iſſue;

(1.) WILLIAM, Marquis of *Blandford*, born *Febr.* 6, 1698-9. He had all the Advantages of Education at Home, and travelled thro' moſt Parts of *Europe* for his greater Accompliſhment. He was one of the Repreſentatives of the Borough of *Woodſtock*, in the laſt *Parliament*. In the Year, 1730, he was complimented by both the Univerſities of this Kingdom, with the Degree of Doctor of Laws, that of *Cambridge* being conferred on him at their Publick Commencement. On the 25th of *July*, 1729, his Lordſhip married *Mary Catherine*, Daughter of —— *d' Jong*, of the Province of *Utrecht*, and Siſter to the Counteſs of *Denbigh*, by whom he had no Iſſue, departing this Life at *Oxford*, of an Apoplectic Fit, on the 24th of *Auguſt* 1731.

(2.) HENRIETTA, born the 12th of *April* 1701. married to his Grace, *Thomas Pelham Holles*, Duke of *Newcaſtle*, April 2, 1717. But has as yet no Iſſue:

(3.) MARY, yet unmarried.

(4.) (5.) A Son *Henry*, and a Daughter *Margaret*, who died young.

III. ANN, married to the Right Honourable *Charles Spencer*, late Earl of *Sunderland*, being his ſecond Wife, and deceaſed in *April*, 1716, ſhe had Iſſue:

(1) ROBERT I. born, 2d of *November* 1700, died the 12th of *September* 1701.

2. ROBERT II. born the 24th of *October* 1701, Earl of *Sunderland*, upon the Deceaſe of his Father, the 19th of *September* 1722, died in *France*, the 17th of *September* 1729, unmarried, and was buried with his Anceſtors at *Brinton*, the 17th of *October*, following

(3) CHARLES, born the 22d of *November* 1706, Earl of *Sunderland*, upon the Death of his elder Brother, the 17th of *September* 1729, in *France*, who, by the Death of the late Marquis of *Blandford*, ſucceeded to 800 *l. per Annum* of the late Duke of *Marlborough*'s Eſtate, and upon the Death of her Grace, *Henrietta, Junior* Ducheſs of *Marlbo-*

Marlborough, ſucceeded to the Titles of Duke and Earl of *Marlborough*, in the County of *Wilts*, Marquis of *Blandford* in the County of *Dorſet*, and Baron of *Sandridge*, in the County of *Hertford*. The 23d of *May* 1732, his Lordſhip, now his Grace, married *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *Thomas* Lord *Trevor*.

(4.) JOHN, born the 13th of *May* 1708, married the third Daughter of John Lord *Carteret*, and Siſter of the Counteſs of *Dyſert*, and the Viſcounteſs of *Weymouth*.

(5.) ANN, born 16th of *December*, 1702, married to *William Bateman*, Eſq; now Lord Viſcount *Bateman*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*.

(6.) DIANA, married the 11th of *October*, 1731, to his Grace, *John*, Duke of *Bedford*, by whom ſhe had a Son—— Marquis of *Taviſtock*, born the 6th of *November*, 1732, and died the ſame Day. Her Grace, is lately deceaſed.

IV. ELIZABETH, born in 1687, married to his Grace *Scroop Eggerton*, Earl, now Duke of *Bridgwater*, in 1703, and died *March* 22, 1713-14, in the 26th Year of her Age; She had Iſſue, two Sons and one Daughter.

(1.) JOHN, Lord Viſcount *Brackley*, born *February* 3, 1703-4, who departed this Life at *Eaton-School*, in the 14th Year of his Age, on the 30th of *January*, 1718-19.

(2.) ANOTHER Son, who died ſoon after he was born.

(3.) ANN, firſt, married to his Grace, *Wriotheſly Ruſſel*, late Duke of *Bedford*, the 22d of *April*, 1725, by whom ſhe had no Iſſue; and, after his Deceaſe, which happened the 23d of *October*, 1732, married the 23d of *June*, 1733, the Right Honourable *William*, Earl of *Jerſey*.

V. MARY, born in 1689, married to his Grace *John* now Duke of *Montague*, the 31ſt of *March*, 1705, by whom ſhe has had Iſſue;

(1.) JOHN Marquis of *Mount Hermer*, born the 8th of *November*, 1706, and died the 26th of *Auguſt*, 1711.

(2.) ISABELLA, married to his Grace, *William* Duke of *Mancheſter*, the 16th of *April*, 1723, by whom as yet, ſhe has no Iſſue.

(3.) ELEANOR, born *March* 9, 1708-9, who died an Infant.

(4.) MARY, married the 7th of *July*, 1730, to *George*, Lord *Brudenel*, eldeſt Son of *George*, Earl of *Cardigan*, and by the Death of his Father, *July* 5, 1732, Earl of *Cardigan*.

(5.)

(5.) (6.) GEORGE and *Edward Churchill*, who died Infants.

HIS GRACE, *John* Duke of *Marlborough*'s Paternal Arms, &c. Were,

Sable, a *Lion-rampant*, *Argent*; a Canton of St. *George*, of the ſecond, viz. *Argent*, charg'd with a *Croſs*, *Gules*, being an Augmentation.

CREST.

ON a Wreath, a *Lion Couchant-guardant*, Argent, ſuſtaining, with his *Dexter*-paw, a *Pennon*, *Gules*, charg'd with a *Dexter-main*, coup'd at the Wriſt, and erect, *Argent*, Staff, Or:

SUPPORTERS.

TWO *Wiverns*, *Gules*, each gorg'd with a plain *Collar*, *Or*, having *Oval Shields*, pendant therefrom, upon their Breaſts, *Azure*, garniſh'd *Or*; the *Dexter* charg'd with St. *George's* Badge, *Argent*, a *Croſs*, *Gules*, and the *Sinifter* with St. *Andrew's*, viz. *Sable*, a *Saltier*, *Argent*, alluding to his *Scotch* Title of *Aymouth*.

MOTTO

FIEL PERO DESDECADO.

HIS GRACE, as Prince of the *Empire*, bore his Arms within a Garter, on the Breaſt of the *Roman* Eagle, with two Heads, *Sable*, armed *Or*, and enſign'd with an *Imperial* Crown, labell'd proper.

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